The forme and maner of makyng and consecratyng of Archebishoppes Bishoppes, Prieſtes and Deacons.

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The preface.

It is euidēt vnto all men, diligētly redyng holy scripture, and auncient aucthoꝛs, that frō the Apostles tyme, there hath been these oꝛdꝛes of Mynisters in Chꝛistes churche Bisshops, Pꝛiestes, and Deacōs whiche Offices were euermoꝛe had, in suche reuerent estimacion, that no manne by his awne pꝛiuate aucthoꝛitie, might pꝛesume, to execute any of theim, excepte he were firste called, tried, examined and knowen, to haue suche qualities, as wer requisite foꝛ thesame. And also, by Publique pꝛaier, with imposicion of handes, appꝛoued, and admitted thereunto. And therefoꝛe, to the intent these oꝛders should be continued, and reuerently vsed, and estemed, in this Churche of Englande, it is requisite, that no man (not beeyng at this pꝛesent, Bisshoppe, Pꝛiest, noꝛ Deacon) shall execute any of theim, excepte he ber called, tried, examined, and admitted, accoꝛdyng to the foꝛme hereafter folowyng. And none shalbe admitted a Deacon, except he bee xxi. yeres of age

at the leaſt. And euery manne, whiche is, to bee admitted a Prieſt, ſhalbee full. xxiii. yeres olde. And euery manne, whiche is, to bee Conſecrated a Biſhoppe, ſhalbee fully thirtie yeres of age. And the Biſhoppe knowyng, either by hymſelf, or by ſufficient teſtimony, any perſone, to be a manne of vertreous conuerſacion, and without crime, and after examinacion and triall, findyng hym learned in the Latin toungue, and ſufficiently inſtructed in holy ſcripture, maie vpon a ſondaie or holy daie, in the face of the churche, admit hym a Deacon, in ſuche maner and forme, as hereafter followeth.

The forme and maner of ordering of Deacons.

Firſte, when the date appoynted by the Biſhop, is come, there ſhalbee an exhortacion, declaryng the duetie and office, of ſuche as come to bee admitted Miniſters, how neceſſarie ſuche orders are, in the Churche of Chriſte, and alſo, how the people ought to eſteme them in their vocacion.

After the exhortacion ended, the Archedeacon, or his deputie, ſhall preſent ſuche as come to bee admitted, to the Biſhoppe: Euery one of them, that are preſented, hauyng vpon hym, a playne Albe, and the Archdeacon, or his deputie, ſhall ſay theſe wordes.

Euerend father in GOD, I preſent vnto you, theſe perſones preſent, to be admitted Deacons.

The Biſhop.

TAke hede that the persones whom ye present vnto vs, be apt and mete, for their learnyng, and Godly conuersacion, to exercise their ministerie duely, to the honour of God, and edefiyng of his Churche.

The Archedeacon shall answere.

I haue enquired of theim, and also examined them, and thinke them so to be.

And then the Bishop shall saie vnto the people.

BRethren, if there bee any of you, who knoweth any impediment, or notable crime, in any of these persones presented, to be ordered Deacons, for the whiche, he ought not to be admitted to thesame, let hym come furth, in the name of God and shewe what the cryme, or impedimentis.

And if any greate crime or impediment be obiected, the Bishop shall surceasse, from

orderyng that persone, vntill suche tyme as the partie accused, shall try himself clere of that cryme.

Then the Bishop, commendyng suche as shalbe found mete to bee ordered, to the prayers of the congregacion, with the Clerkes, and people present, shall saie or syng the Letany as followeth.

The Letany and Suffrages.

GOd the father of heaue: haue mercie vpon vs miserable synners.

O God the father of heaue: haue mercie vpon vs miserable synners.

O God the sonne, redemer of the world: haue mercie vpon vs miserable synners

O God the sonne, redemer of the worlde: haue mercie vpon vs, miserable synners.

O God the holy ghost, procedyng from the father and the sonne: haue mercie vpon vs miserable synners.

O God the holy Ghoste, procedyng from the father

father and the sonne: haue mercie vpon vs miserable synners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinitie, three persones and one God: haue mercie vpon vs miserable synners.

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinitie, three persones and one God: haue mercie vpon vs, miserable synners.

Remembre not Lorde our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers, neither take thou vengeaunce of oure synnes: spare vs good Lorde, spare thy people, whō thou hast redemed with thy moste precious bloud, and be not angery with vs forever.

Spare vs good Lorde.

From all euill and mischief, from sinne, from the crafte and assaultes of the deuill, from thy wrathe, and from euerlastyng damnacion.

Good Lorde deliuer vs.

From blyndnes of harte, from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy, from enuie, hatred, and malice, & all vncharitablenes.

Good Lorde deliuer vs.

From fornicacion, and all dedly synne,

and

and from all the deceiptes of the world, the fleshe, and the deuill.

Good Lorde deliuer vs.

From Lightenyng and Tempest, from Plague, Pestilence and Famyne, from Battaill and murther, and from sodain death.

Good Lorde deliuer vs.

From all sedicion and priuey conspiracie, from the tyranny of the Bishopp of Rome, and all his detestable enormities, from all false doctryne and heresie, from hardnes of harte, and contempt of thy worde and commaundement.

Good Lorde deliuer vs.

By the misterie of thy holy incarnacion, by thy holy natiuitie and Circumcision, by thy baptisme, fastyng, and temptaciō

Good Lorde deliuer vs.

By thyne agony and bloudy sweate, by thy Crosse and passion, by thy precious death and buriall, by thy glorious resurreccion & assencion, by the commyng of the holy ghost.

Good Lorde deliuer vs.

In all tyme of our tribulaciō, in all time of our wealth, in the houre of death, in the daie of iudgement.

Good Lorde deliuer vs.

We sinners do beseche thee to heare vs (O Lorde God) and that it maie please thee to rule and gouerne, thy holy churche vniuersall, in the right waie.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee, to kepe Edward the .VI. thy seruaunt, our Kyng and gouernor.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee, to Rule his harte in thy faithe, feare and loue, that he maie alwaies haue affiaunce in thee, and euer seke thy honor and glory.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee, to bee his defendor and keper, geuyng hym the victory ouer all his enemies.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee, to illuminate all Bishoppes, Pastors, and ministers of the churche, with true knowlege, and

vnderstandyng

vnderstādyng of thy worde, & that both by their preachyng & liuyng, thei maie set it furthe, and shewe it accordyngly.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee to blesse these menne, and sende thy grace vpon them, that thei maie duely execute the office, now to be committed vnto theim, to the edifiyng of thy Churche, and to thy honor, praise, and glory.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee, to endue the lordes of the counsail, & all the nobilitie, with grace, wisedom, & vnderstandyng.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee, to blesse & kepe the Magestrates, geuyng them grace to execute iustice, and to maintein truthe.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee to blesse, and kepe all thy people.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie please thee, to gene to all nacions, vnitie, peace and concorde.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe the, to geue vs an harte, to loue and dꝛead thee, and diligently to liue after thy commaundementes.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it may pleaſe thee, to geue al thy people increaſe of grace, to heare meke ly thy worde, & to receiue it with pure affection, and to bꝛyng furthe the fruites of the ſpirite.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe thee, to bꝛyng into the waie of truth, all ſuche as haue erred and are deceiued.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe thee, to ſtrẽgthen ſuche as do ſtande, and to comfort and help the weake harted, and to raiſe vp thẽ that fall, and finally to beate doune Sathan vnder our fete.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe thee, to ſuccoure, helpe and comfort, all that be in daungier, neceſſitie and tribulacion.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That

That it maie pleaſe thee, to preſerue al that trauaill by lande, or by water, all women labouryng of childe, all ſicke perſones, and young children, and to ſhewe thy pitie vpon all priſoners and captiues.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe thee to defende, and prouide for the fatherleſſe children and widowes, and all that be deſolate and oppreſſed.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe thee, to haue mercie vpon all men.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe thee, to forgeue our enemies, perſecutors, and ſlaunderers, and to turne their hartes.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe thee to geue, and preſerue to our vſe, the kyndly fruites of the yearthe, ſo as in due tyme wee maie enioye theim.

We beſeche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

That it maie pleaſe thee, to geue vs

true repentaunce, to forgeue vs al our
synnes, negligences and ignoraunces,
and to endue vs with the greace of thy
holy spirite to amende our liues, accor-
dyng to thy holy worde.

We beseche thee to heare vs good Lorde.

Sonne of GOD: wee beseche thee to
heare vs.

Sonne of God: we beseche thee to heare vs.

O lambe of God, that takest away the
synnes of the worlde.

Graunt vs thy peace.

O lambe of God, that takest awaie the
synnes of the worlde.

Haue mercie vpon vs.

O Christ heare vs.

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Lorde haue mercie vpon vs.

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Christ haue mercie vpon vs.

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Lorde haue mercie vpon vs.

Lorde haue mercie vpon vs.

Our father whiche art in heauen, with
the residue of the *Pater noster*.

And leade vs not into temptacion.

But

But deliuer vs from euill.

℟. The verficle.

O Lorde, deale not with vs after our synnes.

℣. The answere.

Neither reward vs after our iniquities.

℣. Let vs praie.

God mercifull father, that despisest not the sighthyng of a cõtrite hart, nor the desire of suche as be sorowful mercifully assist our praiers that wee make before thee, in all our troubles and aduersities, whensoeuer thei oppresse vs: and graciously heare vs, that those euils, whiche the crafte and subtiltie of the Deuill, or man, worketh against vs, bee brought to naught, and by the prouidence of thy goodnes, thei maie be dispersed, that we thy seruantes, beeyng hurte by no persecucions, maie euermore geue thãkes vnto thee, in thy holy Churche: Through Jesu Christ our Lorde.

℣. O Lorde arise, help vs, and deliuer vs, for thy

names

names sake.

O God, wee haue heard with our eares, and our fathers haue declared vnto vs, the noble workes, that thou didest in their daies, and in the olde tyme before theim.

O Lorde, arise, help vs, and deliuer vs, for thy honor.

Glory bee to the father, the sonne, and to the holy ghoste: as it was in the beginnyng, is now, & euer shalbe, worlde without ende. Amen.

Frō our enemies defend vs, O Christ.

Graciously loke vpon our afflictions.

Pitifully behold the dolor of our hart.

Mercifully forgeue the synnes of thy people.

Fauourably with mercie, heare oure praiers.

O sonne of Dauid, haue mercie vpon vs.

Bothe nowe and euer, vouchesaue to heare vs, O Christ.

Graciously heare vs, O Christ.

Graciously heare vs, O Lorde Christ.

℣ The versicle.

O Lorde, let thy mercie bee shewed vpon vs.

℟ The

℟. The answere.

As we do put our trust in thee.

℣. Let vs praie.

WE humbly beseche thee, O father, mercifully to loke vpon our infirmities, and for the glorie of thy name sake, turne from vs all those euils, that we moste righteously haue deserued: And graunt that in all oure troubles, wee maie putte our whole trust and confidẽce in thy mercie, and euermore serue thee, in pureneſſe of liuyng, to thy honor and glory, through our onely mediator and aduocate Jesus Christ our Lorde. Amen.

ALmightie God, whiche hast geuen vs grace at this tyme with one accorde, to make our supplications vnto thee and dost promise, that when twoo or three, bee gathered in thy name, thou wilt graunt their requestes: fulfil now

O Lorde, the desires and peticions of thy seruauntes, as may be moste expedient for theim, graunting vs in this worlde, knowlege of thy truthe, and in the world to come, life euerlasting. Amen

ALmightie God, whiche by thy diuine prouidence, haste appoynted diuerse Orders of ministers in the churche, and didest inspire thine holy Apostles to chose vnto this Order of Deacons, thy first Martyr saincte Stephin, with other: mercifully behold these thy seruauntes, now called to the like Office and ministracion: replenisshe theim so, with the truthe of thy doctrine, and innocencie of life, that bothe by worde and good example, thei maie faithfully serue thee in this Office, to the glory of thy name, and profite of the congregacion, through themerites of our sauior Jesu Christe, who liueth and reigneth with thee, and the holy Ghoste, now and euer. Amen.

Then

Then shalbe song or sayed the Communion of the daie, sauyng the Epistle shalbee read out of Timothe as followeth.

Likewise must the ministers bee honest, not double tounged, not geuen vnto muche wine, neither gredy of filthy lucre, but holdyng the mistery of the faith, with a pure conscience. And let them first be proued, & then let thē minister, so that no manne bee able to reproue them. Euen so must their wiues be honest, not euill speakers, but sober and faithfull in all thynges. Lette the Deacons be the husbādes of one wife, and suche as rule their children well, and their awne housholdes. For thei that minister well, gette theimselfes a good degre, and a greate libertie in the faithe, whiche is in Christ Jesu. i. Timo. iij.

These thynges write I vnto thee, trustyng to come shortly vnto the, but and if I tary lōg, that then thou maist yet haue knowlege, howe thou ought-

teſt to behaue thy ſelf, in the houſe of God, whiche is the congregacion of the liuyng God, the piller and grounde of truthe. And without doubt, greate is that miſtery of Godlineſſe. God was ſhewed in the fleſhe, was Juſtified in the ſpirit, was ſene emong the Angelles, was Preached vnto the Gentiles, was beleued on in the worlde, and receiued vp in glory.

Or els this out of the. vi. of the Actes.

When the. xij. called the multitude of the Diſciples together, and ſaied, it is not mete that wee ſhould leaue the worde of God, and ſerue tables. Wherfore brethren, looke ye out emong you, ſeuen men of honeſt reporte, and full of the holy ghoſt and wiſedom, to whom we maie commit this buſineſſe: but we will geue our ſelfes, cõtinually to prayer, and to the adminiſtracion of the word. And ỹ ſaiyng pleaſed the whole multitude. And thei chooſe Stephyn, a man

man full of faithe, and full of the holy ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nichanor, and Timon, and Permenas, and Nicholas, a conuert of Antioche. These thei set before the Apostles and when thei had prayed, thei laied their handes on them. And the worde of God encreased, and the nombre of the Disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly, and a great compaignie of the Priestes, were obedient vnto the faith.

¶ And before the Gospell, the Bishop sitting in a Chaire, shall cause the Othe of the Kynges supremacie, and against the vsurped power and authoritie of the Bishop of Rome, to bee ministered vnto euery one of them, that are to be Ordred.

¶ The Othe of the Kynges supremacie.

From henceforthe shall vtterly renounce, refuse, relinquishe, and forsake the Bishop of Rome, and his authoritie, power, and iurisdiction. And

I ſhall neuer conſent nor agree, that the biſhop of Rome ſhal practiſe, exercyſe, or haue, any maner of aucthoritie, Jurisdiction, or Power within this realme, or any other the kynges dominions, but ſhall reſiſt the ſame at all tymes, to the vttermoſte of my power. And I from henceforthe will accepte, repute and take the Kynges Maieſtie to be the onely ſupreme hed in yearth, of the churche of Englande: And to my cõnyng, wiue, & vttermoſte of my power, without guyle, fraude, or other vndewe meane, I will obſerue, kepe, mainteigne and defende, the whole effectes and contentes, of all and ſyngular actes & Statutes made, and to bee made within this realme in derogaciõ extirpacion, and extinguiſhment of the Biſhop of Rome, and his auctho[r]itie, and all other actes and ſtatutes, made or to bee made, in reformacion and corroboracion of the Kynges power, of the ſupreme hed in yearth, of the churche of Englande: and this I will do, a-

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gainſt all maner of perſones, of what eſtate, dignitie or degree, or condition thei be, and in no wiſe do nor attempt, nor to my power, ſuffre to bee doen or attempted, directly, or indirectly, any thynge or thynges, priuely or apertly, to the let, hinderaunce, damnage or derogacion thereof, or any part thereof, by any maner of meanes, or for any maner of pretẽce. And in cace any othe be made, or hath been made, by me, to any perſon or perſons, in maintenaũce defence, or fauoure of the Biſhoppe of Rome, or his auchoritie, iuriſdiction, or power, I repute the ſame, as vaine and adnichilate, ſo helpe me GOD, al ſainctes and the holy Euangeliſt.

Then ſhall the Biſhop examin euery one of them, that are to bee ordered, in the preſence of the people, after this maner folowyng.

DO you truſt that you are inwardly moued by the holy ghoſt, to take vpon you this Office and miniſtracion, to ſerue

ſerue GOD, for the promotyng of his glory, and the edefiyng of his people?

Anſwere.

I truſt ſo.

The Biſhop.

Do ye thinke, that ye truly be called accordyng to the wil of our lord Jeſus Chriſt, and the due order of this realme to the miniſtery of the churche?

Anſwere.

I thynke ſo.

The Biſhop.

Do ye vnfeinedly beleue all the Canonicall ſcriptures, of the old and new Teſtament?

Anſwere.

I do beleue.

The Biſhop.

Will you diligently reade the ſame, vnto the people aſſembled in the churche where you ſhalbee appoynted to ſerue?

Anſwere.

I will.

The Biſhop.

It

IT perteigneth to the office of a Deacō to assist the Priest in diuine seruice, and specially when he ministreth the holy Communion, and helpe hym in the distribution therof, and to reade holy scriptures and Homelies in the congregacion, and instructe the youthe in the Catechisme, and also to Baptise and Preache if he bee commaunded by the Bishop. And furthermore, it is his office to searche for the sycke, poore, and impotent people of the parishe, and to intimate their estates, names, and places wher thei dwel to the Curate, that by his exhortacion thei maie be relieued by the parishe or other conuenient almose: will you do this gladly and willingly?

Answere.

I will so do by the helpe of God.

The Bishop.

Will you apply all youre diligence to frame and fashion your awne liues, and the lyues of all your familie accor-

dyng to the doctrine of Christe, and to make bothe youre selues and theim as muche as in you lyeth, wholsome examples of the flock of Christ.

Answere.

I wil so do, the Lord beyng my helper.

The Bishop.

Will you reuerently obeye your ordinary and other chiefe Ministers of the Churche, and theim to whome the gouernemēt and charge is committed ouer you, folowyng with a glad mynd and will their godly admonicions.

Answere.

I will thus endeuor my selfe, the lorde beyng my helper.

¶ Then the Bishop laiyng his hādes seuerally vpon the hed of euery one of them, shall saie.

Take thou auctoritie to execute the office of a Deacon in the Churche of God cōmitted vnto the: in the name of the father, the sonne, and the holy ghost. Amen.

Then

Then shall the Bishop deliuer to euery one of theim the newe Testament sayng.

Take thou auctho*r*itie to reade the Gospell in the Churche of God, and to p*r*eache the same, if thou bee thereunto o*r*dinarely commaunded.

Then one of theim, appoincted by the Bishop, puttyng on a tunicle shall reade the Gospell of that daie.

Then shall the Bishop p*r*ocede to the Cōmunion, and all that be o*r*dered, shall tary and receaue the holy Communiō the same daie with the Bishop.

The Communion ended, after the last collect and immediatly before the benedicciō, shalbe saide this Collect folowyng.

ALmightie God geuer of all good thinges, whiche of thy great goodnes hast vouchesaufed to accepte and take these thy seruauntes vnto the office of Deacones in thy churche: make theim we beseche the O Lo*r*de, to be modest, humble, and constāt in their ministra-

cion and to haue a ready wil to obserue all spiritual discipline, that thei hauing alwaies the testimonie of a good conscience, and continuing euer stable and strong in thy sonne Christ, maie so wel vse theim selues in this inferior office, that thei maie be founde worthy to be called vnto the hygher ministeries in thy Churche: thorough thesame thy sonne oure sauiour Christe, to whome be glorie, and honoure, worlde without ende. Amen.

¶ And here it must bee shewed vnto the Deacon that he muste continue in that office of a Deacō the space of a whole yere at the least (excepte for reasonable causes, it bee otherwyse lene to hys ordinarie) to thentent he maie be perfect, and wel expert in the thynges appertaignyng to the Ecclesiasticall administration, in executynge whereof, if he be found faithfull and diligent he maie be admitted by his diocesan to the order of Priesthod.

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The forme of ordering of Prieſtes.

When the exhortacion is ended, there ſhalbe ſong for the Introite to the Communion this Pſalme.

Expectans expectaui dominum. Pſal. xl.

I Wayted patiently for the Lord: and he enclined vnto me, and heard my callyng.

He brought me alſo out of the horrible pyt, out of the mire & clay: and ſet my fete vpon the rocke, and ordred my goynges.

And he hath put a newe ſong in my mouthe: euen a thankes geuyng vnto oure God.

Many ſhal ſee it and feare: and ſhal put their truſt in the Lorde.

Bleſſed is the man that hath ſet hys hope in the Lord: and turned not vnto

the proude, and to suche as go aboute with lies.

O Lorde my GOD, great are thy wonderous workes whiche thou hast doone: lyke as bee also thy thoughtes whiche are to vs ward, and yet there is no man that ordereth theim vnto the.

If I would declare them and speake of theim: they should bee moo then I am hable to expresse.

Sacrifice and meate offeryng thou wouldest not haue: but mine eares hast thou opened.

Burnt offerynges and sacrifice for sinne hast thou not required: then saied I, lo I come.

In the volume of the boke it is written of me, that I should fulfill thy wyl O my God: I am content to do it, yea, thy lawe is within my heart.

I haue declared thy righteousnes in the greate congregacion: lo I will not refraine my lippes O Lorde, and that thou knowest.

I haue not hid thi righteousnes with

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in my heart: my talkyng hath bene of thy trueth, and of thy saluacion.

I haue not kepte backe thy louynge mercy and trueth: from the greate congregacion.

Withdraw not thou thy mercy from me O Lorde: let thy louyng kyndnes and thy truethe alwaie preserue me.

For innumerable troubles are come about me, my synnes haue taken suche holde vpon me, that I am not able to looke vp: yea, thei are moo in nombre then the heeres of my head, & my heart hath failed me.

O Lord, let it be thy pleasure to deliuer me: make hast (o Lord) to helpe me.

Let them be ashamed and confounded together that seke after my soule to destroie it: let them be driuen backward and be put to rebuke that wisshe me euell.

Let them be desolate and rewarded with shame that saie vnto me: fie vpon the, fie vpon the.

Let all those that seke the, be ioyful and

And glad in the: and let suche as loue thy saluacion, saie alwaie, the Lorde be praised.

As for me, I am poore and nedy: but the Lorde careth for me.

Thou arte my helper and redemer: make no longe tarying O my God.

Glorie bee to the father, and to the sonne: and to the holy ghost.

As it was in the beginning is now: and euer shalbe, worlde without ende. Amen.

Or elles this Psalme.

Memento domine David. Psal. C.xxxij.

LOrde, remembre Dauid: and al his trouble.

Howe he sware vnto the Lord: and vowed a vowe vnto the almightie God of Jacob.

I wil not come within the tabernacle of my house: nor clime vp into my bed.

I wyll not suffre myne iyes to slepe, nor

ndr myne iye lyddes to slombre: neither the temples of my hed to take any rest.

Until I fynde out a place for the tẽple of the Lorde: an habitacion for the mightie God of Jacob.

Lo, we herd of the same at Ephrata: and found it in the wood.

We wil go into his tabernacle: and fall lowe on our knees before his footestole.

Arise O lorde into thy resting place: thou and the Arke of thy strength.

Let thy Priestes bee clothed with righteousnes: and let thy sainctes sing with ioyfulnes.

For thy seruaũt Dauids sake: turne not awaie the presence of thyne Annoincted.

The Lorde hath made a faythfull othe vnto Dauid: & he shal not shrinke from it.

Of the fruite of thy body: shall I set vpon thy seate.

If thy children wyll kepe my couenaunt and my testimonies that I will

learne them: their children also shal sit vpon thy seate for euermore.

For the Lorde hath chosen Sion: to bee an habitacion for him selfe, hath he longed for her.

This shalbe my reste for euer: here wil I dwel, for I haue a delight therin.

I wil blesse her victualles w encrease: and will satisfie her poore with bread.

I wil decke her priestes with health: and her sainctes shal reioyse and syng.

There shal I make the horne of Dauid to florishe: I haue ordeined a lanterne for myne annointed.

As for hys enemies I shall clothe theim with shame: but vpon him selfe shall his croune florishe.

Glorie bee to the father and to the sonne: and to the holy ghost.

As it was in the begynnyng, and is now: and euer shalbe worlde without ende. Amen.

Or elles this Psalme.

Laudate nomen domini. Psal. C.xxxv.

Praiſe the Lord, laude ye the name of the lord: praiſe it O ye ſeruaun-tes of the Lorde.

Ye that ſtande in the houſe of the Lorde: in the courts of the houſe of oure God.

O praiſe the Lorde, for the Lorde is gracious: o ſing praiſes vnto his name, for it is louely.

For why, the Lorde hath choſen Ja-cob vnto him ſelfe: and Iſraell for hys awne poſſeſſion.

For I know that the Lord is great: and that our Lord is aboue al goddes.

Whatſoeuer the Lord pleaſed, that did he in heaue̅ and in earth: and in the ſea, and in all depe places.

He bringeth forth the cloudes from the endes of the world: & ſendeth forth lightenynges with the raine, bringyng the windes out of his treaſuries.

He ſmote the firſte borne of Egipt: both of man and beaſt.

He hath sent tokens and wonders in to the myddest of the, O thou lande of Egipte: vpon Pharao and all his seruauntes.

He smote diuerse nacions: and slewe mightie kynges.

Sehon kynge of the Amorites, and Og the kyng of Basā: and all the kingdomes of Canaan.

And gaue their land to be an heritage: euē an heritage vnto Israel his people.

Thy name O Lorde endureth for euer: so doth thy memorial O Lorde from one generation to another.

For the Lorde will auenge his people: & be gracious vnto his seruauntes.

As for the Images of the heathen, thei are but siluer and gold: the worke of mennes handes.

Thei haue mouthes and speake not: yes haue thei, but thei see not.

Thei haue eares, and yet thei heare not: neither is there any breath in their mouthes.

Thei that make theim are like vnto

theim

the im: and so are all thei that put their trust in the im.

Praise the Lord, ye house of Israel: praise the Lorde ye house of Aaron.

Praise the Lorde ye house of Leuy: ye that feare the Lord praise the lorde.

Praised be the Lorde oute of Sion: whiche dwelleth at Jerusalem.

Glory be to the father & to the sonne: and to the holy ghost.

As it was in the beginnyng, is nowe: and euer shalbe worlde without ende. Amen.

Then shalbe red for the Epistle this oute of the. xx. Chapter of the Acte of the Apostles.

FRom Mileto Paule sent messengers to Ephesus and called the Elders of the congregacio: whiche when thei were come to him, he saied vnto them. ye knowe frō the first daie that I came into Asia, after what maner I haue bene with you at all seasons, seruyng

the Lorde with all hũblenes of minde,
and with many teares and temptaci-
cions which happened vnto me by the
laiynges awaite of the Jewes, because
I would kepe backe nothing that was
profitable vnto you, but to shewe you
and teache you openlie thoroughout e-
uery house: witnessyng both to the Je-
wes and also to the Grekes, the repen-
taunce that is towarde God, and the
faith whiche is towarde oure Lorde
Jesus. And now behold, I go bound in
the spirit vnto Jerusalem, not know-
ynge the thynges that shal come on me
there, but that the holy gost witnesseth
in euery citie saiyng: that bandes and
trouble abyde me. But none of these
thynges moue me, neither is my lyfe
deare vnto my selfe, that I might ful-
fyll my course with ioye and the mini-
stracion of the word whiche I haue re-
ceaued of the Lorde Jesu to testifie the
Gospell of the grace of God. And nowe
beholde, I am sure that henceforth ye
al (thorough whom I haue gone prea-
chyng

thyng the kingdome of God) shall see my face nomore. Wherefore I take you to recorde this daie, that I am pure frō the bloud of al men. For I haue spared no labour, but haue shewed you al the counsaill of God. Take hede therefore vnto youre selues and to all the flock among whom the holy ghost hath made you ouerseers, to rule the Congregacō of God, which he hath purchased with his bloud. For I am sure of this, that after my departyng shall greuous wolues entre in amonge you, not sparyng the flock. Moreouer, of youre awne selues shall men arise speakyng peruerse thinges to drawe disciples after theim. Therefore awake and remembre that by the space of thre yeres I ceassed not to warne euery one of you nyght and daie with teares.

And now brethren, I commend you to GOD and to the word of his grace which is hable to build farther, and to geue you an inheritaunce amonge all theim whiche are sanctified. I haue desired,

sired no mannes Siluer, golde, or Ve-
sture. yea, you your selfes knowe, that
these handes haue ministered vnto my
necessities, and to them that wer with
me. I haue shewed you all thynges,
how that so labourying, ye ought to re-
ceiue the weake, and to remembre the
wordes of the lorde Jesu, how that he
saied: it is more blessed to geue, then to
receiue.

Or els this third Chaptter, of the first
Epistle to Timothe.

his is a true saiyng: If any
manne desire the office of a
Bishop, he desireth an ho-
nest worke. A Bishop ther-
fore must be blameless, the husbande
of one wife, diligent, sobre, discrete, a
keper of hospitalitie, apt to teache, not
geuen to ouermuche wyne, no fighter,
not gredy of filthy lucre: but gentle, ab-
horryng fightyng, abhorryng couete-
ousnes, one that ruleth well his awne
house, one that hath children in subiec-
tion

cion with all reuerence. For if a mannes cannot rule his awne house, how shal he care for the congregacion of God? he maie not bee a young scoler, least he swell, and fall into the Iudgement of the euill speaker. He muste also haue a good report, of them whiche are without, least he fall into rebuke, and snare of the euill speaker.

Like wise muste the Ministers bee honest, not double tongued, not geuen vnto muche wine, neither gredy of filthy lucre: But holdyng the mistery of the faith, with a pure conscience. And let theim first bee proued, and then let theim minister so, that no man be able to reproue them.

Euen so must their wifes be honest not euill speakers: but sobre and faithfull in all thynges. Let the Deacons be the husbandes of one wife, and such as rule their children well, and their awne housholdes: For they that minister well, get theimselfes a good degre, and greate libertie in the faith whiche

is in Christ Jesu.

These thynges write I vnto thee, trustyng to come shortly vnto thee: but and if I tary lõg, that then thou maist yet haue knowlege, how thou oughtest to behaue thy self in the house of God, whiche is the congregacion of the lyuyng God, the piller and grounde of truthe. And without doubt, greate is that misterie of Godlines: GOD was shewed in the flesshe, was Justified in the spirit, was sene emong the Angelles, was preached vnto the Gentiles, was beleued on in the worlde, and receiued vp in glory.

After this shalbee redde for the Gospell, a pece of the last Chapiter of Matthew, as followeth.

IEsus came and spake vnto them, saiyng: All power is geuen vnto me in heauen, and in yearth. Go ye therefore and teache all nacions, baptisyng them in the name of the father, and of the sonne, and of the holy ghost. Teachyng

thyng̃ theim to obſerue all thynges, whatſoeuer I haue commaunded you. And loo, I am with you alwaie, euen vntill the ende of the worlde.

Or els this that foloweth, of the.x. Chapiter of Jhon.

Verely, verely, I ſaie vnto you: he that entereth not in by the dore into the Shepefold, but clymmeth vp ſome other waie, theſame is a Theefe and a murtherer. But he that entreth in by the dore, is the ſhepeherd of the ſhepe, to hym the Porter openeth, and the Shepe heareth his voyce, and he calleth his awne ſhepe by name, and leadeth them out. And when he hath ſent furthe his awne ſhepe, he goeth before theim, and the Shepe folowe hym, for thei knowe his voyce. A ſtraunger will thei not folowe, but will flie from him, for thei knowe not the voyce of ſtraungers. This Prouerbe ſpake Jeſus vnto thē, but thei vnderſtoode not, what

thynges thei wer, whiche he spake vn-
to them. Then saied Jesus vnto theim
again, verely, verely, I saie vnto you,
I am the doore of the Shepe. All (euen
as many as come before me) are The-
fes and murtherers: But the shepe did
not heare them. I am the doore, by me
if any man entre in, he shalbe safe, and
shall go in and out, and finde pasture.
A Thefe commeth not but for to steale
kill, and to destoy. I am come that thei
might haue life, and that thei might
haue it more abundauntly. I am the
good Shepeherd: a good Shepeherd,
geueth his life for the shepe. An hired
Seruaunt, and he whiche is not the
Shepeherd (neither the shepe are his
awne) seeth the Wolfe commyng, and
leaueth the Shepe and flieth, and the
wolfe catcheth, & skatereth the shepe.
The hired seruaunt flieth, because he
is an hired seruaunt, and careth not for
the Shepe. I am the good Shepeherd
and knowe my Shepe, and am knowē
of myne. As my father knoweth me,

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euen ſo know I alſo my father. And I geue my life for the Shepe, and other Shepe I haue, whiche are not of this folde. Them alſo muſte I bring, and thei ſhall heare my voyce, and there ſhalbe one fold and one Shepeherd.

Of eis this, of the.xx. Chapiter of Jhon.

THe ſame daie at night, whiche was the firſt daie of the Sabbothes, when the doores were ſhutte (where the Diſciples were aſſembled together, for feare of the Jewes) came Jeſus and ſtoode in the middes, and ſaied vnto them: peace be vnto you. And when he had ſo ſaied, he ſhewed vnto theim his handes and his ſide. Then were the diſciples glad, when thei ſawe the lorde. Then ſaied Jeſus vnto theim again, peace bee vnto you. As my father ſent me, euen ſo ſend I you alſo. And when he had ſaied thoſe wordes, he breathed on them, and ſaied vnto theim: receiue ye the holy ghoſte, whoſoeuers ſynnes

ye remit, thei are remitted vnto them. And whosoeuers sinnes ye retein, thei are reteined.

When the Gospell is ended, then shalbee sated or song.

COme holy ghost eternall god
procedyng from aboue,
Wothe frō the father and the sone, the God of peace & loue,
Visite our myndes, and into vs, thy heauenly grace inspire,
That in all truthe and Godlinesse, we maie haue true desire.

Thou art the very comforter, in al wo and distresse,
The heauenly gift of God moste high, whiche no toungue can expresse,
The fountain and the liuely spryng, of ioye celestiall,
The fire so bright, the loue so clere, and vnccion spirituall.

Thou in thy giftes art manifolde,
whereby

whereby Christ Churche doth stande,
In faithfull hartes writyng thy lawe,
the finger of Goddes hande,
Accordyng to thy promes made, thou
geuest speche of grace,
That through thy helpe, the praise of
God, maie sound in euery place.

O holy ghost, into our wittes, send
doune thyne heauenly light,
Kyndle our hartes with feruent loue,
to serue God daie and night,
Strength and stablishe al our weake-
nes, so feble and so fraile,
That neither flesshe, the worlde, nor de-
uill, against vs do preuaile.

Put backe our enemie farre from
vs, and graunt vs to obtein,
Peace in our hartes with God & man,
without grudge or disdein,
And graunt O Lorde that thou bee-
yng, our leader and our guyde,
We maie eschewe the snares of synne,
and from thee neuer slide.

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To vs suche plentie of thy grace,
good Lorde graunt we thee praie,
That thou Lorde maiest be our comfort, at the last dreadfull daie,
Of al strife and dissention, O Lorde
dissolue the bandes,
And make the knottes of peace and
loue, throughout all Christen landes.

Graunt vs O Lorde, through thee
to knowe, the father moste of might,
That of his dere beloued sonne, wee
maie attain the light,
And that with perfight faith also, we
maie acknowlege thee,
The spirit of them bothe, alwaie one
God in persones three.

Laude and praise be to the father,
and to the sonne equall,
And to the holy spirite also, one God
coeternall,
And praie we that the onely Sonne,
vouchesafe his spirite to sende,
To al that do profesle his name, vnto
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the worldes ende.

Amen.

And then the Archedeacon ſhall preſent vnto the Biſhop, all thē that ſhall receiue thorder of Prieſthod that date, euery one of theim hauyng vpon hym a plain Albe. The Archedeacon, ſaiyng.

REuerende father in God, I preſent vnto you theſe perſones preſent, to be admitted to the Order of Prieſthod, Cum interrogatione & reſponſione, vt in Ordine Diaconatus.

And then the Biſhoppe ſhall ſaie to the people.

GOod people, theſe be thei whō we purpoſe God willyng, to receiue this day, vnto the holy office of Prieſthod. For after due examinacion, wee finde not the contrary, but that thei be lawfully called, to their functiō and miniſtery, and that thei be perſones mete for the ſame. But yet if there be any of you, whiche

knoweth any impediment, or notable crime in any of them, for the whiche he ought not to bee receiued to this holy ministery, now in the name of God declare the same.

¶ And if any greate cryme or impediment be obiected. &c. Vt supra in Ordine Diaconatus vsq; ad finem Letanie cum hac Collecta.

ALmightie God geuer of all good thynges, which by thy holy spirite hast appoynted diuerse orders of Ministers in thy churche: mercifully beholde these thy seruauntes, now called to the Office of Priesthod, and replenishe them lo, with the truthe of thy doctryne, and innocencie of life, that bothe by worde and good example, thei maie faithfully serue thee in this office, to the glory of thy name, and profite of the congregacion, through the merites of our sauior Jesu Christ, who liueth and reigneth, with thee and the holy Ghoste, worlde without ende. Amen.

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¶ Then the Bishoppe shall minister vnto euery one of them the othe, concernyng the kynges Supremacie, as it is set out in the Order of Deacons. And that doen, he shall saie vnto them, whiche are appointed to receiue the saied Office, as hereafter foloweth.

YOu haue heard brethren, alwell in youre private examinacion, as in the exhortacion, and in the holy lessons taken out of the Gospel, and of the writynges of the Apostles, of what dignitie, and of howe greate importaunce this office is, (whereunto ye be called). And nowe we exhorte you, in the name of our Lorde Jesus Christ, to haue in remembraunce, into how high a dignitee, and to howe chargeable an office ye bee called, that is to saie, to bee the Messengers, the Watchemen, the Pastors, and Stewardes of the lorde, to teache, to premonishe, to feede, and prouide for the Lordes familie: to seke

for Christes Shepe, that bee dispersed abrode, and for his children, whiche bee in the middest of this naughtie worlde, to bee saued through Christe for euer. Haue alwaies therfore, printed in your remembraunce, how greate a treasure is committed to your charge, for thei bee the Shepe of Christe, whiche he bought with his death, and for whom he shed his bloudd. The Churche and congregacion, whom you must serue, is his spouse and his body. And if it shall chaunce the same Churche, or any mēbre thereof, to take any hurt or hynderaunce, by reason of your negligence, ye knowe the greatnes of the faulte, and also of the horrible punishement, whiche will ensue: Wherfore, consider with your selfes, the ende of your ministery, towardes the children of God, toward the spouse and body of Christe, and see that ye neuer cease your laboure, your care and diligence, vntil you haue doen all that lieth in you, accordyng to your bounden duetie, to bryng all suche as

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are, or ſhalbe cõmitted to your charge, vnto that agrement in faithe, & knowlege of God, and to that ripeneſſe, and perfectnes of age in Chriſte, that there be no place left emong them, either for erroꝛ in religiõ, or for vicioulnes in life.

Then foꝛaſmuche as your office is bothe of ſo greate excellencie, and of ſo greate difficultie, ye ſe with how great care and ſtudy, ye ought to applie your ſelfes, alwell that you maie ſhew your ſelfes, kynde to that Loꝛde, who hath placed you in ſo high a dignitie, as alſo to beware, that neither you your ſelfes offende, neither be occaſion that other offende. Howbeit, ye cannot haue a mynde and a will thereto of your ſelfes, foꝛ that powꝛer and abilitie, is geuen of God alone. Therfoꝛe ye ſe how ye ought and haue neede, earneſtly to pꝛaie foꝛ his holy Spirite. And ſeeyng that ye cannot by any other meanes, compaſſe the dooyng of ſo waightie a woꝛke, pertaignyng to the ſaluacion of man, but with doctryne and exhoꝛta-

cion, taken out of holy Scripture, and with a like agreable vnto the same, ye perceiue how studious ye ought to bee in readyng, and learnyng the holy scriptures, and in framyng the maners, bothe of your selues, and of theim that specially pertein vnto you, accordyng to the rule of the same scriptures. And for this self same cause, ye see how you ought to forsake and set a side (almuch as you may) al worldly cares & studies

We haue a good hope that you haue well waied and pondered these thynges with your selues, long before this tyme, and that you haue clerely determined, by Goddes grace, to gene your selues wholy to this vocacion, whereunto it hath pleased God to call you, so that (almuche as lieth in you) you apply your selues wholy to this one thing and drawe all youre cares and studies this waie, and to this ende: And that you will continually praie, for the heauenly assistaunce of the holy ghost, frō God the father, by the mediacion of

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our onely mediatour, and sauiour Iesus Christ, that by daily reading and waiyng of the scriptures, ye maie waxe riper and stronger in youre Ministerye. And that ye maie so endeuour yourselfes, from tyme to tyme, to sanctifie the lifes of you and yours, and to fashion them, after the Rule and Doctryne of Christ, and that ye maie be wholsome, and godly examples and paternes, for the rest of the congregacion to folowe. And that this present congregacion of Christe, here assembled, maie also vnderstande your myndes and willes, in these thynges. ¶ AND that this youre promes, shall more moue you to doo your dueties, ye shall answere plainly to these thynges, whiche wee in the name of the Congregacion, shall demaunde of you, touchyng thesame.

Do you thynke in your harte, that you bee truely called, accordyng to the will of our Lorde Iesus Christe, and thorder of this Churche of Englande, to the ministerie of Priesthod?

Answere.

Answere.

I thynke it.

The Bishop.

BE you perswaded that the holy scriptures, contein sufficiently all doctryne, required of necessitie, for eternall saluacion, through faithe in Jesu Christ: And are you determined with thesaid scriptures, to instruct the people committed to youre charge, and to teache nothyng, as required of necessitie, to eternall saluacion, but that you shalbe perswaded, maie bee concluded, and proued by the scripture?

Answere.

I am so perswaded, and haue so determined by Goddes grace.

The Bishop.

WIl you then gene your faithfull diligence alwaies, so to Minister the Doctryne and Sacramentes, and the discipline of Christ, as the lorde hath commaunded, and as this realme hath received

ceaued the same, according to the commaundementes of God, so that ye may teache the people committed to your cure, and charge with all diligence to kepe and obserue the same?

Answere.

I will so do, by the helpe of the Lorde.

The Bishop.

Wyll you be ready with al faithfull diligence to banyshe and driue awaie al erronious and straunge doctrines contrarie to Goddes worde, and to vse both publique and priuate monicions and exhortacions, as well to the sycke as to the whole, within your cures, as nede shal require and occasion bee geuen.

Answere.

I will, the Lorde beyng my helper.

The Bishop.

Wyll you bee diligent in prayers and in readyng of the holy scrip-

cures and in suche studies as helpe to the knowlege of the same, layyng asyde the study of the worlde and the flesshe.

Answere.

I will endeuoure my selfe so to do, the Lorde beyng my helper.

The Bishop.

Wyll you be diligent to frame and fashion youre awne selues and youre families accordyng to the doctrine of Christ, & to make both your selues and theim (almuche as in you lyeth) wholsome exemples and spectacles to the flock of Christ?

Answere.

I will so applie myselfe, the Lorde beyng my helper.

The Bishop.

Wyll you maintayne and set forwardes (almuche as lyeth in you) quietnes, peace, and loue amonges

amonges all Chriſten people, and ſpecially amonges theim that are or ſhalbe committed to youre charge?

Anſwere.

I will ſo do, the Lord being my helper.

The Biſhop.

Wyll you reuerently obeie youre ordinary and other chiefe miniſters, vnto whome the gouernement and charge is cõmitted ouer you, folowyng with a glad mynde and will their godly admonicion, and ſubmittyng youre ſelues to their godly iudgementes?

Anſwere.

I will ſo do, the Lord beyng my helper.

Then ſhall the Biſhop ſaie.

Almightie God who hath geuen you this will to do al theſe thynges, graunt alſo vnto you ſtrength & power to performe the ſame, that he maie ac-

complishe his woorke whiche he hathe begon in you, vntill the tyme he shall come at the latter daie to iudge the quicke and the dead.

¶ After this the congregacion shalbe desired secretly in their praiers to make humble supplicacions to God for theforesaied thynges, for the whiche praiers there shal bee a certeine space kept in silence.

That done, the Bishop shall praie in this wyse.

The Lorde be with you.

Answere.

And with thy spirit.

¶ Let vs praie.

ALmightie god and heauenly father, whiche of thy infinite loue & goodnes towardes vs, hast geuē to vs thy only and most dere beloued sonne Jesus Christ to bee oure redemer and auctour of euerlastyng lyfe: who after he

he had made perfecte oure redempcion by his deathe, and was aſcended into heauen, ſent abrode into the worlde his Apoſtles, Prophetes, Euangeliſtes, Doctours and Paſtors, by whoſe labour and miniſtery he gathered together a greate flocke in all the partes of the worlde, to ſet forth the eternal praiſe of thy holy name. For theſe ſo greate benefites of thy eternall goodnes, and for that thou haſt vouchſauſed to call theſe thy ſeruaũtes here preſent to the ſame office and miniſtery of the ſaluacion of mankynde, we rendre vnto the moſte hartie thankes, we worſhip and praiſe the, and we humbly beſeche the by the ſame thy ſonne, to graunte vnto all vs whiche either here or els where cal vpon thy name, that we maie ſhewe oure ſelues thankefull to the for theſe and all other thy benefites, and that we maie daily encreaſe and go forwardes in the knowlege and fayth of the, and thy ſonne, by the holy ſpirite. So that aſwell by theſe thy miniſters, as

by theim to whom thei shalbe appointed ministers thy holy name maie bee alwaies glorified, and thy blessed kingdome enlarged: thorough thesame thy sonne oure Lorde Jesus Christe, whiche liueth and reigneth with the in the vnitie of thesame holy Spirite worlde withoute ende. Amen.

¶ When this prayer is doone, the Bishop with the Priestes presente shall laye their handes seuerally vpon the heade of euery one that receaueth orders. The receauors humbly kneelyng vpon their knees, and the Bishop saiyng:

Receaue the holy Ghoste, whose sinnes thou doest forgeue, they are forgeuen: And whose sinnes thou doeste reteine, thei are reteyned, and bee thou a faithfull dispensor of the word of God, and of his holy sacramentes. In the name of the father, and of the sonne, and of the holy ghost. Amen.

The

The Bishop shall deliuer to euery one of them the Bible in the one hande, and the Chalice or cup with the bread, in the other hande and saie.

TAke thou auctoritie to Preache the worde of God, and to minister the holy Sacramētes in this Congregacion.

When this is done, the Congregacion shall synge the Crede, and also thei shall go to the Communion, whiche al thei that receaue orders shall take together, and remaine in thesame place where the handes were laied vpon theim, vntill suche tyme as thei haue receaued the Communion.

The Communion beyng done, after the last Collect, and immediatly before the benediction shalbe saied this Collect.

MOste merciefull father, wee beseche the, so to sende vpon these thy Seruauntes, thy heauenly blessyng, that thei maie be clad about with al iustice, and that thy worde spokē by their mouthes maie haue such successe, that it may neuer

ner bee ſpoken in vaine. Graunte alſo that wee maie haue grace to heare and receaue thelame as thi moſt holy wozd and the meane of oure ſaluacion, that in all oure wozdes and dedes wee maie ſeke thy glozie and the encreaſe of thy kyngdome, thozoughe Jeſus Chriſte oure Lozde. Amen.

¶ If the ozders of Deacon and Prieſthod bee geuen bothe vpon one daie, then ſhall the Pſalme foz the Introite and other thynges at the holy Communion bee vſed as thei are appointed at the ozdering of Prieſtes. Saupng that foz the Epiſtle, the hole .iii. Chapter of the firſt to Timothe ſhalbe read. As it is ſet out befoze in the ozdze of prieſtes. And immediatly after the Epiſtle, the Deacons ſhalbe ozdered. And it ſhall ſuffice the Letanie to be ſaied once.

The

The forme of consecratyng of an Archebishop or Bishop.

The Psalme for the Introite at the Communion, as at the orderyng of Prestes.

¶ The Epistle.

THis is a true saiyng, if a manne desire the office of a Bishop, he desireth an honest worke. A Bishop therefore must be blameles, the husbande of one wife, diligent, sobre, discrete, a keper of hospitalite, apte to teache, not geuen to ouermuche wine, no fighter, not gredy of fylthy lucre, but gentle, abhorryng fightyng, abhorryng couetousnes, one that ruleth well hys awne house, one that hath children in subiection with all reuerence. For if a manne cannot rule his awne house, how shall he care for the Congregacion of God? he maie i. Time iij.

not be a yong skoler, least he swel & fal into the iudgement of the euil speaker. He must also haue a good report of thē which are without, least he fall into rebuke and snare of the euill speaker.

¶ The Gospell.

Iesus saied to Simon Peter, Simō Johanna louest thou me more then these? he saied vnto him, yea lord thou knowest that I loue the: he saied vnto him, fede my lambes. He said to him againe the second time: Simon Johanna, louest thou me? he saied vnto him, yea Lorde, thou knowest that I loue the: he said vnto him, fede my sheepe. He saied vnto him the third tyme, Simon Johanna, louest thou me? Peter was sory because he saied vnto him the third time, louest thou me, and he saied vnto him: Lorde, thou knowest al thinges, thou knowest that I loue the. Jesus saied vnto him, fede my sheepe.

Or

Or elles out of the.v. Chapter of Jhon as before in the order of Prieſtes.

¶ After the Goſpell and Credo ended, firſt the elected Biſhop hauing vpon him a ſurples and a Cope, ſhalbe preſented by two Biſhops (being alſo in ſurpleſſes and copes, and hauyng their paſtorall staues in their handes) vnto the Archebiſhop of that Prouince, or to ſome other Biſhop appoincted by hys commiſſion: the Biſhopes that preſent, ſayyng:

Moſte reuerend father in God, we preſent vnto you thys godly and well learned man to be conſecrated Biſhop.

¶ And then the kinges mãdate to the Archebiſhop for the conſecratiõ, ſhalbe read. And the othe touchynge the knowlegyng of the kinges ſupremacy, ſhalbe miniſtred to the perſone elected, as this ſet out in the order of Deacons. And then ſhalbe miniſtred alſo the Othe of due obedience vnto the Archebiſhop as foloweth.

¶ The Othe of due obedience to the Archebiſhop.

IN the name of GOD, Amen. I. N. choſen Biſhoppe of the Churche and ſee of. N. doo pro-

feſſe and promes all due reuerence and obedience to the Archebiſhop and to the Metropoliticall churche of. N. and to their ſucceſſours, ſo helpe me God and his holy Goſpell.

Then the Archebiſhop ſhal moue the congregacion preſent to praie, ſaiyng thus to theim.

BRethren, it is written in the Goſpel of ſainct Luke, that our ſauior Chriſt continued the whole night in praier or euer that he did chose & ſend foorth his .xii. Apoſtles. It is written alſo in the Actes of the Apoſtles, that the diſciples whiche were at Antioche did faſt and praie or euer thei laid handes vpon or ſent forth, Paul and Barnabas: Let vs therefore folowyng the example of oure ſauior Chriſt and his Apoſtles, firſt fall to praier or that we admit and ſende forth thys perſon preſented vnto vs, to the worke wherunto we truſt the holighoſt hath called him

And

¶ And then shalbe said the Letany as afore in the ordre of Deacons. And after this place: that it maie please the to illuminate all Bishops &c. he shal saie.

That it maypleaſe the to bleſſe thys oure brother elected, and to ſende thy grace vpon him, that he maie duely execute thoffice whereunto he is called, to the edifiyng of thy churche, and to the honor, praise and glorie of thy name.

Answere.

We beſeche the to heare vs good lorde

Concludyng the Letany in the ende with this praier.

ALmightie God geuer of all good thinges, whiche by thy holy ſpirite haſt appoincted diuerſe orders of Miniſters in thy Churche: mercifully beholde thys thy ſeruaunt nowe called to the worke and miniſtery of a Biſhop, and repleniſh him ſo with the truthe of thi doctrine and innocẽcie of life, that both

by worde and dede he maie faithfully serue the in thys office, to the glorie of thy name and profite of thy Congregacion: thorough the merites of oure sauiour Jesu Christe, who lyueth and reigneth with the and the holy ghost, worlde without ende. Amen.

Then the Archebishop sittyng in a chaire, shall saie this to hym that is to bee consecrated.

BRother, forasmuche as holy Scripture and the olde Canons commaũdeth that we should not be hasty in laiyng on hands and admitting of any persone to the gouernment of the congregacion of Christ, which he hath purchased with no lesse price then the effusion of his awne bloud, afore that I admit you to this administracio wherunto ye are called, I wil examin you in certeine articles to thend the Congregacion present maie haue a triall and beare wytnes howe ye bee mynded to behaue

behaue your selfe in the churche of God.

Are you perswaded that you bee truly called to this ministracion accordynge to the will of oure Lorde Jesus Christ and thorder of this Realme?

Answere.

I am so perswaded.

Tharchebishop.

ARe you perswaded that the holy scriptures conteine sufficiently all doctrine required of necessitie for eternall saluacio thorough the faith in Jesu Christe? And are you determined with the same holy Scriptures to instructe the people committed to your charge, and to teache or maynteine nothyng, as required of necessitie to eternall saluacion, but that you shalbe perswaded maie be concluded and proued by the same?

Answere.

I am so perswaded and determined by

by Goddes grace.

The Archebishop.

Wyll you then faithfully exercise your selue in the said holy scriptures and call vpon God by prayer for the true vnderstandyng of the same, so as ye maie bee able by theim to teache and exhorte wyth wholsome doctrine, and to withstande and conuince the gayneſaiers?

Answere.

I will so do, by the helpe of God.

The Archebishop.

Be you ready with all faithfull diligence to banyshe and dryue awaie all erronious and straunge doctrine contrarie to Goddes worde, and both priuatly and openly to call vpon and encourage other to the same?

Answere.

I am ready, the Lord being my helper.

The Archebishop.

Wyll

WIll you deny all vngodlynesse, and worldly lustes, and liue soberly, righteously, and Godly in this worlde, that you maie shewe your selfe in all thynges, an example of good workes vnto other, that the aduersary maie be ashamed, hauyng nothyng to laie againste you?

Answere.

I will so do, the lorde beyng my helper.

Tharchebishop.

WIll you maintein & set forward (asmuche as shall lye in you) quietnesse, peace, and loue, emong all men. And suche as be vnquiet, disobedient and Criminouse within youre dioces, correct and punishe, accordyng to suche auctoritie, as ye haue by goddes worde, and as to you shalbee committed, by thordinaunce of this realme?

Answere.

I will so do, by the helpe of God.

Tharchebishop.

WIll you shewe your selfe gentle, and bee mercifull for Christes sake, to poore and nedy people, and to al straungers destitute of help?

Answere.

I will so shewe my selfe by Gods grace.

Tharchebishop.

ALmightie God our heauenly father, who hath geuen you a good will to do al these thynges, graūt also vnto you strength and power, to performe the same, that he accomplishyng in you, the good woorke whiche he hath begonne, ye maie be found perfecte, and irreprehensible at the latter daie, through Iesu Christ our Lorde. Amen.

Then shalbee song or saied, Come holy Ghost, &c. as it is set out in the Order of Priestes.

That ended, the Archebishop shall saie.

The Lorde be with you.

Answere.

Answere.

And with thy spirite.

℣ Let vs praie.

Almightie God and most mercifull father, whiche of thy infinite goodnesse, hast geuen to vs thy onely and moste dere beloued sonne Jesus Christ, to be our redemer and aucthour of euerlastyng life, who after that he had made perfecte our redempciō by his death, and was assended into heauen, powred doune his giftes abundauntly vpon men, makyng some Apostles, some Prophetes, some Euangelistes, some Pastors and Doctors, to the edifiyng and makyng perfecte of his congregacion: Graunt wee beseche thee, to this thy seruaunt, suche grace that he maie be euermore ready, to spreade abrode thy Gospell, and glad tidynges of reconcilement to God, and to vse the aucthoritie geuen vnto him,

not to destroy, but to saue, not to hurt, but to helpe, so that he as a faithfull and a wise seruaunt, geuyng to thy fa-mely meate in due season, maie at the last daie, be receiued into ioye, through Jesu Christ our Lorde, who with thee and the holy ghost, liueth and reigneth one God, worlde without ende. Amen.

Then tharchebishop and Bishoppes pre-sent, shall laye their handes, vpon thehed of the elect bishop, tharchebishop saiyng.

TAke the holy ghost, and re-membre that thou stirre vp the grace of God, whiche is in thee, by imposicio of han-des: for God hath not geuen vs the spi-rite of feare, but of power, and loue, and of sobernes.

Then the Archebishop shall laye the Bi-ble vpon his necke, saiyng.

2. Timo. iiij.

GEue hede vnto readyng, exhor-tacion and doctryne, thynke v-pon those thynges, conteigned in this boke, be diligent in them, that the increase commyng thereby, maie be ma-

manifest vnto all men. Take hede vnto thy self, and vnto teachyng, and bee diligent in doyng theim, for by doyng this, thou shalt saue thy self, and theim that heare thee, through Jesus Christ our Lorde.

Then shall the Archebishop put into his hande, the Pastorall staffe, saiyng:

BE to the flocke of Christ a shepard, not a wolfe, fede them, deuoure theim not, holde vp the weake, heale the Sicke, bynd together the broken, bryng again the outcastes, seke the lost: Be so mercifull, that you be not to remisse, so minister discipline, that ye forget not mercy, that when the chiefe Shepарde shall come, ye maie receiue the immercessible Croune of glory, through Jesus Christ our Lorde. Eze. xxxiiij.

Then tharchebishop shall procede to the Communiō, with whom the newe consecrated Bishop, shal also Communicate. And after the last Collect, immediatly a-

MOste merciful father, we beseche thee to sende doune vpon this thy seruaunt, thy heauenly blessyng, and so endue hym with thy holy spirite, that he preachyng thy woorde, maie not onely bee earnest to reproue, beseche, and rebuke with all pacience and Doctryne, but also maie be to suche as beleue, an wholsome example, in woorde, in conuersaciō, in loue, in faith, in chastitie, & puritie, that faithfully fulfillyng his course at the latter day, he may receiue the croune of righteousnes, laied vp by the lorde, the righteous iudge, who liueth and reigneth one God with the father and holy Ghoste, worlde without end.

Amen.

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